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DWR Invites Input on Funding for Flood Management Projects

SACRAMENTO -- The Department of Water Resources (DWR) has scheduled three workshops to solicit comments on draft guidelines to direct Proposition 1E funding to flood management projects and activities in support of the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan (CVFPP).

The guidelines specifically related to the Central Valley Flood System Conservation Strategy (Conservation Strategy) are posted at http://www.water.ca.gov/floodsafe/fessro/docs/announce_guidelines.pdf .

Workshops will be held December 6, 7, and 14 in Modesto, West Sacramento, and Chico respectively. FESSRO personnel will be present at the public workshops listed below to further describe the guidelines and intended use of Conservation Strategy funding, answer questions, and receive comments on the proposed guidelines. All interested persons are invited to attend either in person or via the Internet WebEx conference opportunity.*

Tuesday, December 6, 2011, 1:00 p.m. Stanislaus County Agricultural Center, Rooms ABC 3800 Cornucopia Way, #B Modesto, CA 95358-9492 Wednesday, December 7, 2011, 10:00 a.m. West Sacramento City Hall Galleria 1110 West Capitol Avenue West Sacramento, CA 95605

Wednesday, December 14, 2011, 1:00 p.m. Chico Masonic Family Center 1110 West East Avenue Chico, CA 95926

*Monday, December 19, 2011, 9:00 a.m. Internet WebEx conference

To participate in the WebEx conference on December 19, please contact Lori Chew at Ichew @water.ca.gov.

It is not necessary to register to attend these meetings.

Once all public input has been incorporated into the draft guidelines, they will be finalized and posted to the website, www.water.ca.gov/floodsafe/fessro. Shortly thereafter, DWR will circulate a Request for Proposals (RFP) to solicit projects, and will also begin pursuing interagency agreements, in accordance with the guidelines.

Oral and written comments on the draft recommendations will be accepted at the workshops. The final submittal date for written comments is Wednesday, December 21, 2011. To submit comments on the draft guidelines you may send an e-mail to lchew@water.ca.gov, with "guidelines comments" in the subject line, mail them to DWR, ATTN: Lori Chew, P.O. Box 942836, Sacramento, CA 94236-0002, or drop them off at the Lobby, 901 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, ATTN: Lori Chew. For more information on the workshops, contact Lori Chew at (916) 653-5735 or Terri Gaines at (916) 653-6520.